

**IN THE  
UNITED STATES  
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**IN RE APPLICATION OF:** Raffaele et al.  
U.S. Nat'l Phase of PCT/AU00/00281

**CASE:** 2011142

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**SERIAL NO.:** To Be Assigned

**INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE:** April 3, 2000

**FOR:** RECIPROCATING FLUID MACHINES

**ATTENTION OF:**

**EXAMINER:**

COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

If any charges or fees must be paid in connection with the following communication, they may be paid out of our Deposit Account No. 04-1030.

**STATUS OF THE CLAIMS**

Claims 1-101 are presently pending from the above-identified International Phase.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Delete Claims 2-15, 17-18, 20-21, 23, 25-34, 36-86 and 88-101, without prejudice, for the purpose of fee calculations.

**REMARKS**

Please amend the claims as indicated, prior to fee calculation for this Application, leaving only seven (7) independent claims, namely claims 1, 16, 19, 22, 24, 35 and 87.

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